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REF: IAEA VIENNA 4734 AND STATE 132977

- 1. IN CONNECTION SUBJECT MEETING AT WHICH US WILL BE REPRESENTED, MISSION REQUESTED CONVEY FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS TO AGENCY.
- 2. ON BASIS QUESTIONS OUTLINED BONHOTE'S INVITATION LETTER OF JULY 13, AEC BELIEVES SUBJECT MEETING COULD BE UNPRODUCTIVE IF THESE QUESTIONS INDICATIVE INTENT OF MEETING. FEW IF ANY COUNTRIES HAVE PROGRESSED TO POINT OF DEVELOPING SERIOUS PLANS FOR DECOMMISSIONING AND DECONTAMINATING NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS AND REPROCESSING PLANTS. WE DOUBT THAT ANY SUCH ACTIVITIES WOULD OCCUR BY YEAR 2,000. CONSEQUENTLY, THERE ARE NO MEANINGFUL ANSWERS TO BONHOTE'S QUESTION.
- 3. AEC HAS DEVELOPED MUCH INFORMATION BY DECOMMISSIONING FACILITIES SUCH AS URANIUM ORE MILLS, LARGE-SCALE URANIUM UNCLASSIFIED

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PROCESSING FACILITIES, RESEARCH REACTORS, AND CERTAIN

HOT CELLS. SUCH BACKGROUND IS PERTINENT TO OVERALL DISCUSSIONS BY CONSULTANTS.

4. AEC BELIEVES CONSULTANTS MEETING COULD SERVE USEFUL PURPOSE BY (1) DEVELOPING CLEAR PICTURE OF MAGNITUDE OF PROBLEMS OF DECOMMISSIONING NUCLEAR FACILITIES,
(2) EMPHASIZING LACK OF PLANNING, AND SAFETY CRITERIA
ON WHICH TO BASE PLANNING FOR SUCH ACTIVITY, AND
(3) RECOMMENDING TYPE OF INFORMATION TO BE DEVELOPED BEFORE REALISTICALLY DETERMINING ROLE IAEA COULD PURSUE IN THIS AREA. DISCUSS ABOVE WITH CATLIN PRIOR DEPARTURE IF POSSIBLE. ROGERS

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